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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 7, 2001, applicants hereby elect with traverse the claims of Group I (Claims 1-2, 4-8, 10-11, 13 and 15-21), Species A (the embodiment of Figures 3-4C), on which at least Claims 1-2, 4-8, 10-11, 13, 15-18 and 21 are readable for prosecution in the subject application.

Applicants also reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims, and further to have the non-elected claims of Group I considered when the elected claims are allowed (including any claims depending from any allowed generic claim).

Receipt of the Office Action on the merits is awaited.

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